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# STATE OF DELAWARE BOARD OF PHARMACY

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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE: BOARD OF PHARMACY – Legislative Committee Meeting

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 9:30 am

PLACE: Conference Room A., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Cannon Building

861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, DE 19904

APPROVED: w/correction April 19, 2017

## MEMBERS PRESENT

Hooshang Shanehsaz, Chair Susan Esposito, R.Ph. Bonnie Wallner, R.Ph. Kim Robbins, R.Ph. Tejal Patel, PharmD Jay Galloway Gayle MacAfee

## **DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Christine Mast, Administrative Specialist III

## **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General Tim DeRose

### **ALSO PRESENT**

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Shanehsaz called the meeting to order at 12:35 pm.

## **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Ms. MacAfee and seconded by Ms. Esposito to approve the meeting minutes for February 15, 2017 with corrections. The motion unanimously carried.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Non Pharmacist Dispensing – The committee reviewed a letter to the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline outlining their concerns regarding non-pharmacist dispensing and patient safety, this letter will be provided to Mr. Mangler as well.

Review of Regulation 5.2.4 (Meds On Que) – a motion to add to Board agenda in April was made by Ms. Patel and seconded by Ms. Esposito. The motion unanimously carried.

Delaware Health Information Network (DHIN) Pharmacist Access – Mr. Shanehsaz will contact Mr. Randy Farmer to discuss provider reclassification for pharmacists. This item will return to the agenda when appropriate.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

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A motion to amend the agenda to add review of regulations regarding prescription blank contact information was made by Mr. Shanehsaz and seconded by Ms. Robbins. The motion unanimously carried.

Review of regulations regarding prescription blank contact information – The committee discussed the concerns that Mr. Musto discussed during the Board meeting regarding electronic prescriptions with incorrect practitioner contact information. This makes reaching out to the prescribing practitioner very difficult and puts patient safety at risk. Often practitioners provide service to several locations for the same health care organizations. When the e-prescription is received the contact information is often for the main campus, and when the pharmacist tries to contact the practitioner the pharmacist discovers that the practitioner is not at the location indicated on the prescription. This makes it necessary to leave messages or place numerous calls to try to locate the practitioner. This results in the delay of dispensing the medication to the patient; in some cases 24-48 hours or more. This may jeopardize patient care depending on the medication prescribed. Mr. Musto stated that this scenario occurs 10-12 times per day in a busy pharmacy. Mr. Musto suggested that the Board require that the prescription include contact information specific to the location the patient was treated. Ms. Wallner stated regulation 5.1.13 addresses the requirements for e-prescribing and also federal laws apply as well. The committee discussed the current requirements and reviewed the controlled substance regulation 4.3 regarding prescription blank requirements. Ms. Kelly will provide draft regulations to include the committee's requests to be reviewed during the April Board meeting.

Pharmacy Technician Licensure Review – a motion to table this item until the April meeting was made by Ms. Wallner and seconded by Ms. Esposito. The motion unanimously carried.

Review of Statute 2502 (3) Define Certified and Non-Certified Technicians – a motion to table this item until the April meeting was made by Ms. Wallner and seconded by Ms. Esposito. The motion unanimously carried.

Review of Regulation 19.0, Define Acceptable Training - a motion to table this item until the April meeting was made by Ms. Wallner and seconded by Ms. Esposito. The motion unanimously carried.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

## **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next meeting will be held April 19, 2017 at 9:30 am. Conference Room A

### ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business before the committee. A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Galloway, seconded by Ms. Patel. The motion unanimously carried at 1:26 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine Mast

Administrative Specialist III

**Board of Pharmacy**